

IRISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE.

The Executive Council Issues a Manifesto to the American Public.

New York, December 17.—The following manifesto has been issued by the executive council of the Irish National alliance of America and a copy of it has been sent to President Cleveland:

To the Members of the Irish Alliance and the American Public.

It has been publicly charged that the policy of the Irish National alliance is an Irish policy of hatred to England and is therefore contrary to the interests of America. This calls in question the loyalty, to the Republic, of our people.

We declare it incontrovertible that no more bitter, more perfidious or more unrelenting enemy than Great Britain to the United States has ever existed. England has ever been the vengeful foe of American liberty and republican institutions. Imbued with this conviction and seeing that Great Britain has avowed her intention to trample upon the Monroe doctrine by her attempt to rob Venezuela of her territory and has dared to violate the integrity of our territory in Alaska, we hereby offer as a proof of our loyalty and devotion to the country of which we are citizens, to place at the disposal of the president of the United States, without delay 100,000 soldiers as brave as have ever shouldered a rifle and every man of whom is a believer in the principles and teachings of the National alliance.

Our army which is now organized, is ready to serve the American Republic in any part of this continent and should the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine need its aid, will either on Irish soil or on English ground, establish the fact that the intrepidity, the valor and the bravery of the Irish brigade will again prove the loyalty of Irishmen to the United States. Whether the nation which dares to interfere with American principles be England or other foreign power, we care not. The men whose faith is with the National Alliance stand ready to fight for the rights of our country.

We have proven our loyalty on many a hard fought field, whether the enemies of the Republic were Englishmen, Tories or rebels.

As to our relations with England, we have no apologies to make, no excuse to offer. Should it be possible to embroil her with any power on earth we shall not hesitate to do so. The chief object of the Irish National Alliance is to create the opportunity which will enable us to drive the British enemy from Ireland as it was driven from the United States.

England's cruelty, oppression and usurpation of the rights of American citizens hastened their utter defeat in America. We pray that the day may soon come, when we, the exiles of our land, shall assist in the force to whom we bear undying hatred, from Ireland.

William Lyman,
President, New York.

John P. Sutton,
Secretary.

P. H. Fitzgerald,
Treasurer, Chicago.

WILL PROVE POPULAR.

Mr. Cleveland Filled the Democratic Hearts With Jubilation.

Washington, Dec. 17.—This has been an epoch making day in American politics, and perhaps in American history. In the first place, the president of the United States takes a step which, aside from its justice, will prove the most popular action of his long public career. It has filled the hearts of his followers here with jubilation and good cheer and given high hopes to a party lately hopeless.

In the next place, the speaker of the house of representatives, always a partisan, has today in partisan folly made the first serious blunder in his play for the presidency, when, after a long day of delay and impatience in the house, the stirring message moved members to scenes of almost unparalleled enthusiasm. Mr. Crisp of Georgia immediately rose and offered a bill appropriating \$100,000 for the support of the commission asked for by the president. The house would have passed the bill without a word of debate so unanimous was the commendation of the course of the administration, but the speaker had already seen too much gratification for a president to allow the democrats of the house any share in the congressional end of the proceedings, and refusing to recognize or to even notice the member from Georgia, he entertained a motion to adjourn.

This is the political side of the story which always comes first in Washington.

The historical side is more difficult to predict, as the case is a very serious one. It is hard to see how it could have been better handled with just enough finesse and just enough carelessness. Many of the wise old leaders in public life here shake their heads over the outlook. There is no doubt but that congress and the people will promptly come to the support of the administration.

The Texas members here to a man heartily commend the president for what he has done and there is no doubt but that they will follow him all along the line as he projects it.

MINING FOR SILVER.

Van Horne, El Paso Co., Tex., Dec. 15.—There has been a great deal of prospecting for silver and copper in this vicinity lately. Messrs. Hand and Maltby found a fine vein of silver, ore, specimens of which assayed about \$50 to the ton. This is considered very good. The vein was found on a state section and can be traced for over a mile on top of the ground, ending on a railroad section. Hand and Maltby staked a claim of 1500 feet and several others have staked claims adjoining. There has been a shaft sunk thirty feet and ore is being taken out to be shipped. A good many strangers are in the country trying to get claims.

A FANCY DRESS DINNER.

New York Herald.
The ordinary Christmas family dinner party, where all the guests know one another only too well and all have heard the pet story of each of the others, and every subject of conversation has been thoroughly rehearsed on former occasions of the same kind, is sometimes a dreadful bore.

This awful question of entertainment at family feasts was very cleverly settled by one hostess last year, and the idea is well worth repeating. She sent out her notes of invitation and in each requested the recipient to appear in a costume which would suggest the title of some well known book. Some of the ingenious devices caused a great deal of amusement, and thus the dead level of monotony was relieved.

The largest man in the family, standing six feet two in his stockings, wore across his chest a ribbon, bearing the legend, "By Sir Walter Scott," he was the "Talisman," or tallest man. Another, a young girl this time, had for a necklace three blown eggs, on each of which was painted, "Home B. C. 500," and she was finally found to represent the "Lays of Ancient Rome."

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
World's Fair Highest Award.

ROSENTHAL VS. CROWLEY.

A report From Washington That the Former Will Be Seated.

Forth Worth, Tex., Dec. 17.—Hon. J. J. Butts, who has just returned from Washington, says there is no doubt in his mind from what he saw there that Rosenthal will be seated from the Galveston district.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

New York, December 17.—The officers of the confederate Veterans of New York met in special executive session and unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, The message of the president, submitted this day to congress, marks a critical stage in our relations with Great Britain, and while we trust that the difficulty may be amicably adjusted to the satisfaction and honor of the two greatest nations on earth; be it.

Resolved, That the president has taken a position heartily indorsed by us, and from which there should be no backward step; and be it further.

Resolved, That we, the Confederate Veterans camp of New York, do pledge ourselves in the event of war to raise in New York and offer to the people a company of Confederate Veterans to battle for the honor of our country and the glory of our flag.

COTTON AND EGYPT.

Washington, Dec. 16.—United States Consul General Penfield at Cairo, Egypt, has made a report to the state department which will, from its importance, be made the subject of a special publication calling attention to the rapid growth of Egypt as a competitor with the United States for the cotton markets of the world. He says that his former representations appearing to have failed to secure the attention which the subject demands, he is induced once more to strongly urge the United States cotton growers to make efforts to get this competition. At present Egyptian cotton is sold at Alexandria for 2 cents a pound more than the price of American cotton, and owing to the superiority of the Egyptian product, is being purchased in quantities for export to the United States. The sales, which ten years ago amounted to but 3815 bales, have increased until on the best estimates it is believed that during the year beginning September 21, 1895, no less than 50,000 bales will be shipped to the United States, and as these Egyptian bales are 50 per cent larger than the American the exports to this country will really amount to 75,000 bales according to our standard. Mr. Penfield urged that efforts be made by our planters to grow that Egyptian long staple cotton in this country, holding that there must certainly be some portion adapted to its growth, probably the Mississippi or the Brazos river in Texas.

OUR TRADE WITH MEXICO.

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